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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, line 2, after “memory”, insert –holding a plurality of word sets each assigned to a starting letter–.

Line 5, change “or VFW,” to –and a starting letter–.

**Line 6, delete “with said pointing means;”, and after “and” add
–choosing the word or the starting letter assigned to the selected item with said pointing means;–.**

Line 7, change ‘VFW’ to –chosen word– and after “system.”, add the following:

- f) accessing said memory for the word set assigned to the starting letter selected;**
- g) presenting the word set accessed on said display;**
- h) picking one word of said presented words with said pointing means; and**
- i) transferring the word picked to said text input system.**

Claim 2, lines 3, 4 and 5, change “e)”, “f)”, and “g)” to –j)–, –k)– and –l)– respectively.

line 6, change “VFW” to –chosen word–.

Claim 4, lines 3, 4 and 5, change “e)”, “f)”, and “g)” to –j)–, –k)– and –l)– respectively.

line 6, change “VFW” to –chosen word–.

Claim 5, lines 3, 4 and 5, change “e)”, “f)”, and “g)” to –j)–, –k)– and –l)– respectively.

line 6, change “VFW” to –chosen word–.

Claim 6, lines 3, 5 and 6, change “e)”, “f)”, and “g)” to -j)-, -k)- and -l)- respectively.

line 7, change “VFW” to -chosen word-.

Claim 8, lines 5, 7, 8, and 9, change “e)”, “f)”, “g)” and “h)” to -j)-, -k)-, -l)- and -m- respectively.

Cancel Claims 7 and 9 through 20.

Add the following new Claims:

21. The method according to Claim 1 wherein the items displayed are the text of the respective very frequent words assigned to the respective item.

22. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said display has a touch sensitive screen, said pointing means consists of a pen and wherein tapping with said pen on one sections of the selected item chooses the word assigned and on another section of said item chooses said starting letter assigned.

23. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said display has a touch sensitive screen, said pointing means consists of a pen and wherein touching one of said displayed items with said pen selects said item and wherein removing said pen immediately chooses one of said assigned word or starting letter and remaining for an appreciable period chooses the other of said assigned word or starting letter.

24. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said pointing means consists of a mouse with a plurality of buttons and wherein operating one of said buttons chooses said word assigned and another of said buttons chooses said starting letter .

25. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said memory holds a sets of inflection suffixes and including the steps of:

j) obtaining said set of suffixes from said memory;

k) showing the suffixes of said set on said display;

l) touching the display of one of said suffixes with said pointing means;

and

m) applying the touched suffix to the word transferred to said text input system.

26. The method for inputting text to a computer type apparatus having a data processing means, a text handling system, a memory holding letter strings and characters starting with vowel sounds, a display, and an input means comprising the steps of :

a) displaying a plurality of items on said display for word starts;

b) assigning a very frequent word to each of said items;

c) selecting one of said items with said input means;

d) inputting the word assigned to the selected item to said text input system; and

e) inserting the letter “n” after the word “a” if the word assigned to the following selected item starts with a vowel sound.

27. The method according to Claim 26 wherein words starting with vowel letters and words starting with “h” followed by some letter strings are taken as words starting with vowel sounds.

28. The method according to Claim 27 wherein capitalized abbreviations starting with letters having names starting with vowel sounds are taken as words starting with vowel sounds.

29. The method for inputting text to a computer type apparatus having a data processing means, a text handling system, a memory holding a plurality of word sets, a display with a touch sensitive screen, and a pen or stylus comprising the steps of :

- a) displaying a plurality of items on said display for word starts;**
- b) assigning a word and a starting letter to each of said items;**
- c) selecting one of said displayed items with a touch of the pen or stylus;**
- d) obtaining either the word or the starting letter assigned to the selected item with said pen or stylus;**
- e) inputting an obtained word to said text input system;**
- f) accessing said memory for the word set assigned to an obtained starting letter;**
- g) presenting the word set accessed on said display;**
- h) picking one of said presented words with a touch of said pen or stylus on the display of said picked word; and**
- i) l) transferring the member designated to the chosen direction and pattern to said text input system.**

30. The method according to Claim 29 wherein the items displayed consist of the text of the words assigned to said items.

31. The method according to Claim 30 wherein said pen or stylus obtains the assigned word by touching a first section of said displayed item and the assigned starting letter by touching a second section of said displayed item.

32. The method according to Claim 30 wherein wherein touching one of said displayed items with said pen or stylus selects said item and wherein removing said pen or stylus immediately obtains one of said assigned word or starting letter and remaining for an appreciable period obtains the other of said assigned word or starting letter.

33. The method according to Claim 29 wherein said memory holds a set of members comprising related words and number values for each digit and wherein the displayed items of step a) include said digits and wherein said method includes the steps of :

j) picking one of said displayed items representing a digit with said pen or stylus;

k) designating each of said digit related members to a direction and a pattern;